

1. A flotation device for supporting a user in the water, comprising a pair of buoyant front panels; a closure connecting said front panels; a pair of side connecting panels extending from said front panels, respectively, for disposition beneath the arms of the user; a buoyant back panel connected to said side connecting panels; and a buoyant bottom connecting panel extending from said front panels to said back panel for disposition between the user's legs and floating the user in the water.

2. The flotation device of claim 1 comprising a buoyant head support panel connected to said back panel for floating disposition beneath the user's head and supporting the user's head above the water.

3. The flotation device of claim 1 comprising a pair of shoulder straps extending from said front panels to said back panel for positioning said shoulder straps over the shoulders of the user.

4. The flotation device of claim 1 comprising:

(a) a buoyant head support panel hingedly connected to said back panel for floating disposition beneath a user or wearer's head and supporting the user's head above the water; and

(b) a pair of shoulder straps extending from said front panels and a connecting strap connected to said shoulder straps and said back panel for positioning said shoulder straps over the shoulders of the user.

5. The flotation device of claim 1 wherein said front panels, said back panel and said bottom connecting panel are constructed of a buoyant expanded foam material and comprising a flexible cover enclosing said buoyant expanded foam material of said front panels, said back panel and said bottom connecting panel.

6. The flotation device of claim 5 comprising a buoyant head support panel hingedly

connected to said back panel for floating disposition beneath a user's head and supporting the user's head above the water and wherein said head support panel is constructed of a buoyant expanded foam material and comprising a flexible cover enclosing said buoyant expanded foam material of said head support panel.

7. The flotation device of claim 5 wherein said closure comprises a zipper.

8. The flotation device of claim 5 comprising:

(a) a buoyant head support panel hingedly connected to said back panel for floating disposition beneath the user's head and supporting the user's head above the water and wherein said head support panel is constructed of an expanded foam material and comprising a flexible cover enclosing said buoyant expanded foam material of said head support panel; and

(b) a pair of shoulder straps extending from said front panels and a connecting strap connected to said shoulder straps and said back panel for positioning said shoulder straps over the shoulders of the user.

9. The flotation device of claim 1 comprising at least one connecting clip provided on at least one of said front panels and said back panel for clipping said flotation device to a second flotation device.

10. The flotation device of claim 9 comprising a buoyant head support panel connected to said back panel for floating disposition beneath the user's head and supporting the user's head above the water.

11. The flotation device of claim 10 comprising a pair of shoulder straps extending from said front panels and a connecting strap connected to said shoulder straps and said back panel for positioning said shoulder straps over the shoulders of the user.

12. The flotation device of claim 11 wherein said front panels and said back panel are

constructed of a buoyant expanded foam material and comprising a flexible cover enclosing said buoyant expanded foam material of said front panels, said back panel and said bottom connecting panel.

13. The flotation device of claim 1 comprising at least one tether connected to said flotation device for connecting said flotation device to a second flotation device.

14. The flotation device of claim 13 comprising:

(a) a buoyant head support panel hingedly connected to said back panel for floating disposition beneath a user's head and supporting the user's head above the water and wherein said head support panel is constructed of a buoyant expanded foam material and comprising a flexible cover enclosing said buoyant expanded foam material of said head support; and

(b) a pair of shoulder straps extending from said front panels and a connecting strap connected to said shoulder straps and said back panel for positioning said shoulder straps over the shoulders of the user.

15. The flotation device of claim 1 wherein one end of said bottom connecting panel is attached to said back panel and comprising a pair of torso clips provided on said front panels, respectively, and a pair of companion bottom connecting panel clips attached to the opposite end of said bottom connecting panel from said one end, for selectively engaging said torso clips, respectively, and removably securing said bottom connecting panel to said front panels, respectively, and said bottom connecting panel between the legs of the user.

16. The flotation device of claim 15 comprising at least one connecting clip provided on each of said front panels for clipping said flotation device to a second flotation device.

17. The flotation device of claim 15 comprising a buoyant head support panel hingedly connected to said back panel for floating disposition below the user's head and supporting the

user's head above the water.

18. The flotation device of claim 15 comprising a pair of shoulder straps extending from said front panels and a connecting strap connected to said shoulder straps and said back panel for positioning said shoulder straps over the shoulders of the user.

19. The flotation device of claim 15 comprising:

(a) at least one connecting clip provided on each of said front panels for clipping said flotation device to a second flotation device;

(b) a buoyant head support panel hingedly connected to said back panel for floating disposition below the user's head and supporting the user's head above the water; and

(c) a pair of shoulder straps extending from said front panels and a connecting strap connected to said shoulder straps and said back panel for positioning said shoulder straps over the shoulders of the user.

20. A flotation device for supporting a user or wearer in the water, comprising a pair of buoyant front panels; a pair of adjustable side connecting panels extending from said front panels respectively, for extending beneath the arms of the user; a closure connecting said front panels; a buoyant back panel connected to said side connecting panels; a buoyant head support panel hingedly connected to said back panel for floating disposition beneath the user's head and supporting the user's head above the water; and a bottom connecting panel extending from said front panels to said back panel for disposition between the user's legs and floating the user in the water.

21. The flotation device of claim 20 comprising a pair of shoulder straps extending from said front panels to said back panel for disposition over the shoulders of the user.

22. The flotation device of claim 20 comprising at least one tether connected to said

flotation device for connecting said flotation device to a second flotation device.

23. The flotation device of claim 20 comprising:

(a) a pair of shoulder straps extending from said front panels and a connecting strap connected to said shoulder straps and said back panel for positioning said shoulder straps over the shoulders of the user; and

(b) at least one tether connected to said flotation device for connecting said flotation device to a second flotation device.

24. A flotation device for supporting a user in the water, comprising a pair of buoyant front panels; a pair of adjustable side connecting panels extending from said front panels respectively, for extending beneath the arms of the user; a closure connecting said front panels; a buoyant back panel connected to said side connecting panels; a buoyant head support panel hingedly connected to said back panel for floating disposition beneath the user's head and supporting the user's head above the water; and a bottom connecting panel extending from removable attachment to said front panels to fixed attachment to said back panel for disposition between the user or wearer's legs and floating the user or wearer in the water.

25. The flotation device of claim 24 comprising a pair of shoulder straps extending from said front panels and a connecting strap connected to said shoulder straps and said back panel for positioning said shoulder straps over the shoulders of the user.

26. The flotation device of claim 25 comprising at least one tether connected to said flotation device for connecting said flotation device to a second flotation device.